

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant:	<b>Henry Hasbrouck FLETCHER;</b>	)	Examiner:	Michael A. BROWN
	<b>Michael Gerard FISHER</b>	)		
		)	Art Unit:	3772
Serial No.:	<b>10/826,209</b>	)	Our Ref:	B-6536 958038-2
Filed:	April 16, 2004	)	Date:	November 3, 2008
For:	"SURGICAL SAW BLADE HAVING AT LEAST ONE PAIR OF OPPOSED TEETH..."	)	Re:	<b><i>Non-Final Office Action</i></b>
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

Commissioner for Patents

Sir:

In reply to the non-final Office Action mailed on May 14, 2008, in which prosecution on the merits was closed in accordance with the decision in *Ex parte Quayle*, 25 USPQ 74, 453 O.G. 213 (Comm'r Pat. 1935), and the subsequent Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed on October 9, 2008, an initial response to which is due no later than November 9, 2008. Applicants submit this paper. Please amend the above-identified application as described below and consider the following remarks. **All amendments and remarks herein are made without prejudice.**

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 19 of this paper.